BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-220-W/S - ORDER NO. 2005-489 SEPTEMBER 9, 2005

IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff for)	ORDER RATIFYING
	an Emergency Order Pursuant to 26 S.C.)	EMERGENCY ORDER
	Code Ann. Regs.103-886 to Enjoin Piney)	OF SINGLE
	Grove Utilities, Inc. from Disconnecting or)	COMMISSIONER
	Discontinuing Service to Customers in the)	
	Lloydwood and Franklin Park Subdivisions.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") for the consideration of an Emergency Order issued pursuant to R.103-886 by Commissioner Clyburn on July 21, 2005. Commissioner Clyburn restrained Piney Grove Utilities, Inc. ("Piney Grove") from disconnecting or discontinuing sewer service to certain of its customers who may be delinquent in paying their accounts. Specifically, the Order, issued under the authority of Regulation 103-886, maintains the status quo with customers until further Order of the Commission. In her Order, Commissioner Clyburn found that questions exist in this matter as to the propriety of Piney Grove's efforts to disconnect or discontinue sewer service to certain of its customers in the Lloydwood and Franklin Park subdivisions potentially in violation of the Commission's Rules and Regulations and that, therefore, an Emergency Order was warranted. Additionally, the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") asked, and Commissioner Clyburn Ordered, that Piney Grove be required to reconnect service to any customer(s) which Piney Grove had already discontinued service to until further Order of this Commission.

We have examined the circumstances of this case, and agree with Commissioner

Clyburn that there appear to exist certain questions regarding the disruption of sewer

service to Piney Grove's residential customers in the Lloydwood and Franklin Park

subdivisions, potentially in violation of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. We

therefore ratify Commissioner Clyburn's July 21, 2005, Order and hold that Piney Grove

shall continue to be restrained and/or enjoined from discontinuing service to any of its

residential sewer customers in the Lloydwood or Franklin Park subdivisions and that any

customers in these subdivisions who have had their service disconnected be reconnected

by Piney Grove until such time as we issue a subsequent Order.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice-Chairman

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